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Applicant : Philip Marriott Art Unit : 2881
Serial No. : 09/787,358 Examiner : Anthony Quash
Filed : May 15, 2001
Title : MEANS FOR REMOVING UNWANTED IONS FROM AN ION TRANSPORT SYSTEM AND MASS SPECTROMETER

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PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE

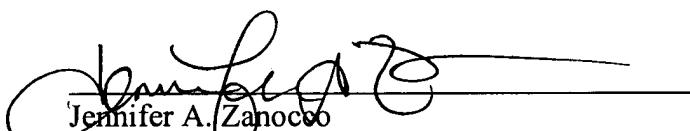
Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR §1.313(c)(2) for the withdrawal of this + application from issue to permit consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith. The issue fee was paid on December 9, 2005.

A request for continued examination of this application under §1.114 is being filed simultaneously herewith. The request for continued examination is intended to continue this application on the grant of this petition.

Enclosed is a check for \$130 in payment of the petition fee required by 1.17(h). Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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